SUBCHAPTER H—EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

PART 375—PLAN OF OPERATION DURING A NATIONAL EMERGENCY

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§ 375.1 Purpose.

- (a) The Railroad Retirement Board has adopted a plan to provide basic organization and methods of operation which may be needed to continue uninterrupted service during a period of national emergency as defined in §375.2.
- (b) The plan is published to inform all interested persons of the circumstances and ways in which the Board will organize and operate in a national emergency.
- (c) For purposes of Government-wide uniformity, the procedures of the Board regarding payments during evacuation to employees and their dependents shall conform to those contained in subpart D of part 550 of the regulations of the Office of Personnel Management pertaining to "Payments During Evacuation" (5 CFR part 550, subpart D).

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§ 375.2 National emergency and effective date.

A period of national emergency shall be deemed to exist and the provisions of this part shall become effective only (a) after an attack upon the United States, or at a time specified by the authority of the President after such attack, and (b) by order of the Chair of the Board or his or her successor as set forth in §375.5, or when it is no longer possible to communicate with such official at his or her designated station.

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§ 375.3 Policy.

To the greatest extent possible, payment of benefits shall be made and employment service functions shall be carried on through the period of a national emergency in strict conformance with the pertinent provisions of the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, and the regulations promulgated by the Board to administer those acts. Where the character of the national emergency is such as to prevent this, the stand-by regulations contained in this part shall obtain. It will be expected, however, that every effort shall be made to return to normal operating practices as quickly as possible thereafter.

§ 375.4 Mailing instructions.

In a national emergency as defined in §375.2, all mail shall be directed to Board offices at their normal locations.

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§ 375.5 Organization and functions of the Board, delegations of authority, and lines of succession.

- (a) During a national emergency, as defined in §375.2, the respective functions and responsibilities of the Board shall be, to the extent possible, as set forth in the U.S. Government Manual, which is published annually by the Office of the Federal Register, and is available on the Internet at http://www.nara.gov/fedreg/, under Other Publications.
- (b) The following delegation of authority is made to provide continuity in the event of a national emergency:
- (1) The Chair of the Board shall act with full administrative authority for the Board.
- (2) In the absence or incapacity of the Chair, the authority of the Chair to act